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**PROPOSED EIGHT STEP PROCESS
U.S.-CHINA AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL COOPERATION
UNDER THE
U.S. CHINA DEFENSE CONVERSION COMMISSION**

STEP 1

(Completed). Reestablish U.S.-China military-to-military contact with the October 1994 visit to China by U.S. Secretary of Defense Perry. The U.S. and China agreed that air traffic control (ATC) should be a topic under the U.S.-China Defense Conversion Commission.

STEP 2

(Completed). Visit by U.S. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Administrator David Hinson to China. Discussions with both CAAC and military officials on air traffic control issues, the U.S. Global Positioning System (GPS), and future cooperation.

STEP 3

(Completed). Finalize "Statement of Intent for Implementation of the GPS between the FAA and the General Administration of Civil Aviation of China (CAAC)." The FAA and CAAC agreed to continue consultations in this area with the objective of defining a strategy and work plan for implementation of GPS in China.

STEP 4

(Proposed) Feb 1995. U.S. team of military and civil aviation officials visit China to brief China Defense Conversion Commission (COSTIND and relevant defense industries) and China Air Traffic Control Commission (PLAAF and CAAC) officials on the U.S. system of civil/military cooperation in air traffic control. Will include discussion of U.S. strategy for use of GPS in air traffic control.

STEP 5

(Proposed) Mar 1995. China Defense Conversion Commission and China Air Traffic Control Commission officials will be invited to the United States to visit FAA and Department of Defense (DoD) ATC facilities. They also would meet with U.S. industry participating in a "Special China Program" for ATC and airport officials in Los Angeles, California. Agenda will include discussions of satellite-based air traffic management.

STEP 6

(Date TBD). U.S. civil/military delegation would be willing to travel to China, under the sponsorship of the U.S.-China Defense Conversion Commission and China Air Traffic Control Commission, to visit Chinese civil and military ATC facilities and continue discussions on use of GPS within China.

STEP 7

(Proposed) Sep 1995. DoD, FAA, and U.S. Department of Commerce would be willing to host a Chinese Defense Conversion Commission and Air Traffic Control Commision delegation at the Air Traffic Control Association's Annual Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada. (Note: Technical sessions will include global navigation satellite system (GNSS) discussions.)

STEP 8

(Date TBD). Second U.S.-China Defense Conversion Commission meeting in Washington, D.C. U.S. and Chinese officials will report on progress that has been made and identify future plans for cooperation.